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MEMORANDUM FOR DR. ZBIGNIEW BRZEZINSKI
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Subject: Draft Message from The President to the
American Community in Kabul

Attached is a draft message from the President to
the American Community in Kabul. Given the great stress
under which our personnel and their families have been
working during the past year and especially the last
two weeks, we believe an expression of the President's
interest in their welfare and work would be welcome and
reassuring.

If approved we will cable the President's message
to Kabul.

Peter Tarnoff
Executive Secretary

Attachments:

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American Community in Kabul

I wanted you to know that I am very much aware of the acute stress and strain which you have all been operating under during the course of the last year and particularly during recent days following the trauma and shock of the senseless death of Ambassador Dubs. I know the skilled professionalism, personal courage and extraordinary devotion to your duties which these times have required. You have not only our thanks, but also our sincere admiration.

Our relationship with Afghanistan is also undergoing considerable change and we must count on you to continue your work in the same spirit of dedication that characterized Ambassador Dubs. We will be doing all we can to support you.